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CHICAGO VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOLSM

Chicago Virtual Charter School

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday January 24, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Location

38 South Peoria Street, Foreman Hall - Dial-in: 888-824-5783, Code: 472 54 033 Please use the following hyperlink for remote access to the live presentations <https://www.gotomeet.me/CVCS>

Directors Present

A. Richardson-Bryant, K. Speller, L. Kelly, L. Milton, S. Harkins

Directors Absent

M. Lewellen

Guests Present

E. DePersis, F. Jenkins, R. Lebron

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Richardson-Bryant called a meeting of the board of directors of Chicago Virtual Charter School to order on Wednesday Jan 24, 2018 @ 6:13 PM at 38 South Peoria Street, Foreman Hall - Dial-in: 888-824-5783, Code: 472 54 033 Please use the following hyperlink for remote access to the live presentations <https://www.gotomeet.me/CVCS>.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Approval of Agenda

L. Kelly made a motion to Approve the agenda.
S. Harkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approve Minutes

S. Harkins made a motion to approve minutes from the Academic Committee Meeting on 01-08-18.

L. Kelly seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Contract Renewal Proposal & Presentation

A. K12 Classroom, LLC Presentation

- K12 presented items of negotiation
- K12 looks forward to sitting down with the Board and negotiate
- No item is off the table for negotiation
- Presentations were made:
 - Marketing
 - Target segments, messaging and onboarding
 - Learning Coach Development, Support, and Materials
 - Special Education
 - Compliance and Staffing
 - Academic Growth
 - Teacher Training
- R. Lebron will compile information on summative and formative evaluations on lessons
- There is not data that shows that there are assessment on every unit that can be recorded and reported on
- That will be a part of the next generation curriculum
- Alignment with NWEA will be the next step

B. K12 Classroom, LLC Contract Renewal Proposal

C. Public Comments

- A teacher observes that students are performing well mirror the fact that they are performing well in the OLS on the standards that K12 has set. When students work well on the OLS at home, they are being successful on standardized tests. There may be something wrong with how we are using the curriculum. Teachers do look for outside programs if students need extra \ help. A blanket curriculum may not be for every student to be successful.
- A teacher/learning coach has 2 students who graduated from K12 who are doing very well in college.
- A learning coach states that students who left CVCS returned because they thought they had lost ground during the year they were not at the school. K12 is the best classical liberal arts education they have found.
- A teacher thinks that to have 2 or 3 programs to replace the current one is not advantageous
- A learning coach says that if the curriculum is worked properly it leads to success. There is a concern that teachers will be lost because of concerns in other areas. There needs to be follow through on survey comments. Town Hall meetings would be a great idea
- A learning coach says the K12 curriculum is easy to use.
- At the early stages of the school, the K12 curriculum worked well for highly engaged families. Being an open enrollment school means selecting a curriculum that meets those needs.

- Town hall meetings may not be effective for families that are not highly engaged.
- There should be tracking of how students perform once they leave the school.
- The K12 presentation has been very informative.
- K12 seems to require all students to be on the same level according to a learning coach. Lessons at the learning center may be different than the curriculum taught at home.
- Some other products allow for more individualization.
- Not all students have access to some types of outside learning.
- Management will follow-up with a learning coach.
- Additional learning coach mentoring may be helpful.
- SQRP scores can be improved by improving administrative components such as attendance and mobility.
- The issue of addressing other non academic areas of SQRP scores should be addressed in the Academic Committee meetings.
- The Head of School report has a request for a new hire.

D. Chicago Public Schools Application for Amendment

S. Harkins made a motion to authorize the Board Attorney to complete an application for a charter amendment.

L. Milton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Board Administrator Report

A. School Demographics Trend

- No report

B. Board Membership Succession

- No report

C. Payroll/Human Resources Provider Update

- The implementation went well

D. Board Calendar

- No report

IV. Head of School Report

A. Head of School Report

L. Milton made a motion to approve the hiring of a special education teacher.

S. Harkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Milton Aye
K. Speller Aye
S. Harkins Aye
M. Lewellen Absent
L. Kelly Aye

V. Board Committee Reports

A. Academic Committee

- The Committee met on January 8th
- A curriculum vendor made a presentation

B. Finance Committee

L. Milton made a motion to approve K12 invoices for \$176,807 and the K12 payment request of \$893,926.15 and the K12 invoice for \$46,507.

S. Harkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Kelly Aye
S. Harkins Aye
L. Milton Aye
M. Lewellen Absent
K. Speller Aye

C. Strategic Planning Committee

- No report

D. Technology Committee

- No report

E. Head of School Evaluation

- No report

VI. Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

A. Meet in Close Session

L. Milton made a motion to meet in closed session.

S. Harkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Motion to Approve Recommended Action

L. Milton made a motion to authorize R. Lebron to forward a draft letter to an employee matter with a recommendation and have the Board Attorney review it and the Board affirms the decision and the letter will be sent to the employee.

S. Harkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

L. Kelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

S. Harkins seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
F. Jenkins